## TTALIAN EARTHOUANE GREAT. EST IN HISTORY OF THE WORLE

Reliable Estimates Say Between 75,000 and found two or three thousand utterly 150,000 Perished in Lower Italy and Sicily.

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Existence and Thousands are Drowned By Waves From the Sea.

BRUE MONDAY FOR STRICKEN ITALY.

Rome, Dec. 30.-South Italy and the Island of Sicily have been visited of which cannot yet be grasped. An streets were caught in the on-rush earthquake Monday morning wrecked city after city and obliterated small towns and villages without number. Then a tidal wave swept along the Strait of Messina and addple in their helplessness and panic.

destruction. Flames broke out in the devastated cities, and countless numbers of wounded men, women and children were burned to death.

Any adequate estimate of the tosible, but the Rome Tribuna places the number at betweed 60,000 and

that of any earthquake in Italy since was shaken to ruins. 783 when 40,000 persons perished Messina alone.

ed severely.

Island of Sicily, is active.

The detonations are reverberating over Catania and add to the terror. Volumes of smoke are pouring from the crater.

the zone, but the efforts at succor the city proper is in ruins. are as yet utterly inadequate. are hurrying warships to the scene. King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helene have left Rome for the South. sisted upon sharing his dangers.

The Pope has made an appeal to port. Roman Catholics the world over for help. He has headed the relief subscription list with a donation of \$200,000.

crowds demanding news.

ame story of death, destruction and back to Calabria." esolution.

Ambassador Griscom telegraphed hecticut, the American Consul, I Joseph H. Pierce, the American relieved. Hamples Free. Hyber - --

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Many Towns Wiped Out of every house and building for a thou- house. Windows swayed and rat-

The Trinacria Hotel, at Messina, I was half stunned, but knew also destroyed.

by an appalling calamity, the extent had fled from their houses to the of waters and drowned or injured. as, and not one of my party expect- the Ambasadors and Ministers ex

magnitude of the calamity which frenzy of terror, we groped our way emotion was profound. ed to the horror, drowning the peo. has overtaken their fellow country- through the streets, holding our men, Italy mourns tonight for own against the panic-stricken peothe came to complete the work of the stricken province of Calabria and ple, clamboring over piles of ruins, place the deaths at 150,000. New the Island of Sicily. Accustomed until we finally reached a place of for centuries to earthquakes, Italy comparative safety. stands ever in dread, but none was tal carualties is as yet quite impos devastated cities and towns and of the upper story of a house. caused the death of thousands.

The horrors and destrustiveness wars, and which was the center of seemed to be crashing into the of this visitation probably exceed yesterday's terrestrial maelstrom, crowd in whatever direction we for selling property, no sale, no

Many Buried Alive.

Flames burst forth to complete the Reports of heavy loss of life are city's destruction and to burn alive into the town. It seemed that this coming in every hour from cities untold numbers helplessly pinioned must mean the end of everything. and towns and nearly every village beneath fallen walls and broken timin the stricken zone, and the story in bers. The Strait of Messina was huge wave, accompanied by a terri its detail has only begun to be told, shaken and twisted by the earth's fying roar. The horror grews as further reports trembling, for mariners report the channel aftered beyond, recognition.

Messina has been fire-swept. The The ports and villages on both the dead there alone will run into the continental and Sicilian, sides were tens of thousands. Reggio is a sep- | wrecked or inundated, and all lightulchre of the dead. Catania suffer- houses along the coasts were swallowed up. Navigation now is dan-Mount Eina, the volcano on the gerous, and in some places impossi-

Reggio Swept Away.

In the Calabrian district, which was only beginning to recover from the effects of the earthquake of 1905, The work of rescue is being push- Reggio was the center of the earth's ed forward with every possible en upheaval. The seaport of Reggie is ergy. Troops are being poured into reported as no longer existing, and

The loss of life on both sides of France, Great Britain and Russia the strait and in Eastern Sicily was enormous.

One of the refugees from Reggio who was the first to bring the news His Majesty will superintend in per- of the city's destruction, tried to son the work of relief. The Queen, re make his way to Sicily in a sail boat, fusing to let her husband go alone, in- but was compelled to return, and finally found safety at a peninsula

Heavens Ablaze.

There is consternation in Rome, teriously agitated and the heavens looking after the inmates of the lu-The telegraph and newspaper were ablaze. Nearing Sicily, the natic asylums he is needed to furoffices are besieged by weeping clearing smoke revealed the mys- nish inmates for the penitentiaries. tery; Messina was in flames. In the Every fresh telegram tells the frenzy of despair I turned my boat

injured imprisoned in the wreckage to call and see him. were abandoned to their fate by the mo fleeing populace.

"Verrible Scene at Messina Described by Hye-Witness. ticke Catania, Dec. 29.—The following Phillips is told by a werman,

iy drew were from Messi "Won't hey injured!" in?" he asked injured! "Where did | 18 th "Oh, from two lources," he hasw

ing in a huge wave, swept before it awakened by the rocking of the sand feet from the shore line. The tled and crockery and glass crashed waters rushed through the streets of to the floor. The next moment I peoples spontaneous promise of that Addresses Will Be Delivered, Miss Petre Presided as Toast-Riposto to a depth of from ten to was violently thrown out of my bed aid which brings the world closer toto the floor.

with ninety guests, was demolished. that the only thing to do was to have sent their warships, quick as The City Hall, the Bourse, the tele- make my way out doors. The the flash of the telegraph could cargraph office and the barracks were streets were filled; everybody had ry the orders to lend assistance to rushed out in their night clothes, the stricken cities. Relief funds A tidal wave thirty feet high heedless of the rain falling in tor- have already been started, and a swept up the streets in the city in rents. Terrified shricks arose from hundred ships and trains are on their the height of the confusion followed all sides, and we heard heartrender- way carrying supplies and reinforcethe shock. Hundreds of half-dress- ing appeals for help, from the uned men, women and children who fortunates pinned beneath the ruins.

Walls Were Tottering.

Italy Stunned by Calamity in Sicily. ed-to escape alive. My brothers and pressed sympathy with M. Tittori, Rome, Dec. 30 .- S unned at the sisters were with me, and in a Minister of Foreign Affairs, whose

"All along the road we were jost-Messina, whose tragic history has led by scores of fleeing people, half 23 seconds. been marked by the tidal waves and clad like ourselves. The houses turned.

Sea Begins to Eise.

"Suddenly the sea began to pour The oncoming waters rolled in a colored, was found by the side of a

The sky was aglow with the reflection of burning palaces and other the sky a huge burst of flame, followed by a crash that seemed to share the whole town. This probably was the gas works blowing up.

Pray and Shrisk,

"Eventually we reached the prin- load of mules.

copal square of Messina. Here we M. W. OF A. us knew what to do. We waited in ageny off ear. Men and women prayed, grouned and shrieked. I saw one of the big buildings fronting on the square collapse.

"It seemed to me that scores of, persons were buried beneath the ruins. Then I lost consciousness, and I remember no more."

Aid From All Nations.

The hands of all the nations have been extended to Italy in her affliction. From rulers have come messages of condolence, and from the gether in times of great calamity.

Great Britain, France and Russia ments to the South.

Rome, Milan, Florence, Naples and other cities are sending physi-

The Latest.

Rome, Dec. 20.—The reports now towns destroyed have been heard from. Fire is still raging at Mes-"But this was not done before I sina. The city of Bagnano is de- tastes and appetites of the guests, prepared for the disaster which in was struck down and badly injured stroyed, with 10,000 kined. The his equal is seldom found. the fraction of a minute yesterday by a piece of furniture that fell out Æolian Islands, it is feared, are destroyed. The earthquake occurred at 5:30 Monday morning and lasted

We charge a moderate commission

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Found Dead.

The dead body of Allison Couch of Madisonville, last Saturday morn-

buildings, and as if this was not bridge his cap and a whisky bottle, In a pool of water under a small partly empty, were found, and it was supposed that he had walked off Tuesday night and the Atlantic the bridge.

> L. A. Henderson, of Ordway, Col. arrived here this week with a car

### WIRELESS MESSAGES

Pertinent Points About People, Plans and Places.

WELLS-Judge A. J. G. Wells, of BOALES-Mr. M. E. Boales and Joins Equity Society And Murray, is still strongly tipped for bride have returned from their bri-Dr. Board's place on the Board of dal tour through the East and are Control. The appointment is ex- with Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Boales, pected today or tomorrow. Judge Parents of the groom. Wells has hosts of friends who are for him for anything he wants, but he is needed next year for a district office of more importance to the In describing his experience he sixth judicial district than a place said: "The sea was strangely, mys. on the Board of Control. Instead of

will on Jan, 1st form a part- picture of health and was wormly tance. She joined the Society of Starving, bleeding from injuries nership with Mr. F. P. Renshaw in welcomed by his hundreds of Hop- Equity and placed her tobacco in and almost insane from their terri- the furniture and undertaking bus kinsville friends. Messina and Palermo inquiring as fying experiences, Messina's sur- iness at No. 10, South Main street, he fate of Arthur S. Cheney, of vivors are fleeing in all directions. The firm name will be Renshaw & The spectacle presented by the ruin- Harton, Mr. Harton has had coned seaport is described as terrifying siderable experience in the business Vice Consul at Messina. No answer Tumbling buildings, people killed and and is popular with everyone. He mutilated, while hundreds of the extends an invitation to his friends have his disappearance investigated

> SWAIN-Mr Swain, of Paducali, & Rogers and will at once enter up afterwards alled up. on his duties. Mr. Swain is a licensed embalmer and he

week. "Foxey" now lives in Evans- all round. ville and has continued to make good | She had no previous experience in in professional ball. Next season he raising tobacco, but outside of se will play with one of the teams in curing her brother to plow the HARTON-Mr. Harry L. Harton the Three I League. He is the very ground, she scorned all other assistant

Smith, the State University student the neighborhood, and the wedding who disappeared Sept. 22, will try to will take place during the holidays. by the next grand jury. They believe that Smith was killed, probably by accident, and that his body was Perhaps the Biggest Ever concealed in the trench of a big has accepted a pasition with Waller cited for a sewer, open at that time,

ed with one of the largest undertak-ing establishments in Paducah for cah, is taking the lead in and the call of the lead in and the call of the call se time. He comes lighly rec; to revive the K. I. T. League for mended as a first class business 1909. He wants Paducah, Cairo and will be quite an acquisir Vincennes, Owensboro, Clarksy and Jackson, Tenn., in the leagu

# BANQUET

Will Be Held at Odd Fellows Joint Installation Ceremonies Hall Tonight From 7 to 12 O'clock.

GOOD MUSIC A FEATURE.

By Some of Hopkinsville's Best Orators.

The banquet to be given by the The Masonic social session of Modern Woodmen of America, at day night was a most enjoy Odd Fellows Hall tonight, promises affair. to be one of the leading holiday

consists of addresses by some of Chapter, and the large hall was filled "Walls were tettering all around cians, police and firemen. Today all Hopkinsville's most able speakers, to overflowing with the families and vocal and piano solos, etc. An in-friends of the members of the two vitation has been extended to Mr. lodges DeHart, of Louisville, State Deputy of the M. W. of A., and it is very likely that he will be here to deliver an address on Woodcraft. an address on Woodcraft.

The dining room will be in charge of Mr. H. E. Wiley, who has had much experience in this line, and

COLD WAVE.

Weather Bureau at Washington Sends Out Warning.

The weather Bureau at Washington has sent out the following fore-

A marked disturbance, central over Manitoba, will move switheastwardly during the next two days, road, near Mt. Zion church, north accompanied by general rain and snow over the northern and rains over the southern districts, east of the Mississippi river, with rising emperature reaching the central valley and the upper lake region states Wednesday and Wednesday cight. The disturbance will be followed by a cold high area and temperatures will fall rapidly and decidedly over the Northwest Tuesday night; the central valley and upper lake region Wednesday and Wednesday night and the Eastern States Thursday and Friday, accompanied by fair weather that will probably continue Saturday and Sunday over the Atlantic States.

GIRL RAISES TOBACCO.

Sells It at Good Price.

Bowling Green, Ky., Dec. 28,-Miss Mary Penner, daughter of Mr. C. B. Penner, a well-known farmer MORRIS-Forest Morris, of the of the Richardsville section, of this last Hopkinsville ball team, with his county, raised with her own hands wife and pretty little daughter, vis- an acre of tobacco this season, which ited his brothers, Jeff Morris and she disposed of yesterday at this Stonewall Morris the first of the market at the top price of 9 cents

the pool. There is no use, however, for any one to make a proposal of marriage, as she is already engaged SMITH-The brothers of Willis E. to a prosperous young farmer of

55 POUND TURKEY

Raised in Kentucky.

Robert C. The ty farmer, sent to W Walker, of turkey persentucky. It

In Which Ladies Bore Off the Honors.

Master and Acquitted Herself With Great Credit.

The meeting was for the joint in stallation ceremonies of the Ma The program to be carried out sonic Lodge and the Eastern Star

W. E. Gray, S. W. E. C. Frye, J. W. J. B. Galbreath, trasurer. George M. Clark, secreta J. R. Morris, J. D. Ed. Walpole, S. D. J. W. Carloss, S. S. Isaac Hart, J. S.

W. R. Pauley, tiler. The Eastern Star officers were installed by Mrs. Geo M. Clark Cafter she had herself, been installed by

Mrs. Camilla T. Wall, A. M. Mrs. Gertrude K. Grav, Serretary. Mrs. Isaac Hart, treasur

Miss Sadie Petre, condic Mrs. Annie Ferguson, associat onductor. Miss Fannie Thelos, marsha

Mrs. Salena West, organist Mrs. Lula Neal Bullard, chaplain, Mr. Ida M. Carloss, Ada. Mrs. Luna B. Petre, Ruth.
Mrs. Mary Klein. Esther.
Mrs. Annie Myers, Martha.
Mrs. Lizzie T. Meachain. Electra.

.Mrs. Louise Youts, Warder: E. C. Frye, sentinelar Mrs. Clark was ably assisted by Miss Sadie Petre as marshal and both ladies went through the long cereladies went through the long ceres mony without referring once to the

ritual. Mrs. Clark presided with a dignity, ease and self-possession, and instructed the several officers in their respective duties with a directness, impressiveness and clearness of enunciation that stamped her as a presiding officer of remarkable ability and a faultless memory. Miss Petre also performed her diffi-

cult part, conducting the new officers to the altar and thence to their places, with rare grace and the rithalistic part of the ceremony was recited without a single lapse of mem-

The same bright little lady presided as toastmaster following the delightful refreshments, which were served from the ante-rooms to the guests who were seated in the lodge'

She introduced the speakers, with good natured and witty "remarks" that brought down the house. P forming her duties with an case as grace that deprived the oldest "pre lessional toastmasters" of their

The speaking program was as fol-

Mrs. George M. Clark, The Experiences of a Presiding Officer. A. S. Cox, "Signs and Symbols" I, T. Hanbery, 'The Eastern Star." M. Meacham, "Incomprehensi-

Horses and Mules Wanted. We will be at C. H. Layne's stable ing 2000 fat mules and